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SUBJ: UN RESTRUCTURING: ECOSOC SUBSIDIARY BODIES

1. TRANSMITTED BELOW IS THE TEXT PREPARED BY CHAIRMAN
DADZIE COVERING TREATMENT OF ECOSOC SUBSIDIARY BODIES
(SECTION 2). CHAIRMAN DADZIE STATED THAT THESE PASSAGES
WOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE CLEAN DRAFT BUT THE FOOTNOTE
WOULD INDICATE THAT THEY HAD BEEN DRAFTED BY HIM AND SHOULD
NOT BE CONSTRUED AS INDICATING GOVERNMENT AGREEMENT AT
THIS POINT.

2. QUOTE: BEGIN TEXT.

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AMENDMENTS TO SECTION II OF THE 16 AUGUST 1977 INFORMAL
CONSOLIDATED TEXT

ADD THE FOLLOWING TO PARAGRAPH 3:

AS A FIRST STEP THE COUNCIL SHOULD HOLD A SUBJECT-ORIENTED
SESSION IN PLACE OF THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE ON

NATURAL RESOURCES ENVISAGED IN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL
RESOLUTION 2115 (LXIII) TO DEAL WITH THE FOLLOW UP
TO THE ACTION PLAN ADOPTED BY THE UNITED NATIONS WATER
CONFERENCE. THE COUNCIL, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE PROVISIONS OF
PARAGRAPH BELOW, SHOULD ALSO DEFINE OTHER SUBJECT
AREAS ON WHICH SIMILAR SESSIONS SHOULD BE HELD.

PARAGRAPH 6 TO BE AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

IN ORDER TO RAISE THE LEVEL OF THE TREATMENT TO BE
ACCORDED TO THE RELEVANT SUBJECT AREAS, AND TO ENSURE THAT
THESE SUBJECT AREAS ARE EFFECTIVELY CONSIDERED IN THE
BROAD CONTEXT OF THE TASKS INDICATED IN PARAGRAPH 1, THE
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL SHOULD IN THE LIGHT OF ITS
EXPERIENCE WITH SUBJECT-ORIENTED SESSIONS AS PROVIDED FOR
IN PARAGRAPH 4, ASSUME TO THE MAXIMUM EXTENT POSSIBLE DIRECT
RESPONSIBILITY FOR PERFORMING THE FUNCTIONS OF ITS SUB-
SIDIARY BODIES; THESE BODIES WOULD ACCORDINGLY BE DISCONTINUED.
THIS RECOMMENDATION DOES NOT, HOWEVER, APPLY TO REGIONAL
COMMISSIONS.

NEW PARAGRAPH 7:

AS A FIRST STEP THE FOLLOWING MEASURES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED
BY THE COUNCIL IN RESPECT OF ITS EXPERT OR ADVISORY GROUPS,
ITS STANDING COMMITTEES (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF CPC) AND
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THE FUNCTIONAL COMMISSIONS:

- (A) THE DISCONTINUANCE OF THE EXPERT OR ADVISORY BODIES OF
THE COUNCIL AT THE END OF 1978, UNLESS IN THE MEANTIME
THE COUNCIL HAS TAKEN AFFIRMATIVE ACTION TO RENEW AND
REDEFINE THEIR MANDATES AND WHERE APPROPRIATE TO SET
DEADLINES FOR THE COMPLETION OF THEIR ACTIVITIES;
- (B) THE DISCONTINUANCE OF THE COMMITTEES ON NON-GOVERNMENTAL
ORGANIZATIONS AND ON NEGOTIATIONS WITH INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGENCIES AND THEIR REPLACEMENT ON AN AD HOC BASIS BY
SESSIONAL COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL AS AND WHEN REQUIRED;
THE ASSUMPTION BY THE COUNCIL OF DIRECT RESPONSIBILITY
FOR THE WORK, AND CONSEQUENTLY THE DISCONTINUANCE,
OF THE COMMITTEE ON REVIEW AND APPRAISAL OR ANY RELATED BODY
ENVISAGED FOR SIMILAR FUNCTIONS, THE COMMITTEE FOR HOUSING,
BUILDING AND PLANNING OR ANY RELATED BODY ENVISAGED TO CARRY
OUT THE SUPERVISION OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS QUESTIONS DECIDED
UPON AS A FOLLOW UP TO HABITAT, THE COMMITTEE FOR NATURAL
RESOURCES, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE RECOMMENDATION MADE
IN PARAGRAPH ABOVE, AND THE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND
TECHNOLOGY INCLUDING ITS FUNCTION AS A PREPARATORY BODY
FOR THE CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY;
- (C) THE RE-DEFINITION AND RE-GROUPING, ON THE BASIS OF

THEIR SUBSTANTIVE AND METHODOLGICAL INTERRELATIONSHIPS,
OF THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE FUNCTIONAL COMMISSIONS,
OR THE ASSUMPTION BY THE COUNCIL IN APPROPRIATE INSTANCES (SUCH AS THE

COMMISSION FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT) OF DIRECT RESPONSIBILITY
FOR THEIR WORK;

(D) THE ASSUMPTION BY THE COUNCIL OF DIRECT RESPONSIBILITY
FOR CARRYING OUT THE PREPARATORY WORK FOR AD HOC CONFERENCES
CONVENED BY THE COUNCIL ITSELF AND, AS APPROPRIATE, BY
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY;

NEW PARAGRAPH 8:

PENDING THE MEASURES OUTLINED IN PARAGRAPHS 6 AND 7 ABOVE,
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THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL SHOULD TO THE MAXIMUM
EXTENT POSSIBLE REFRAIN FROM ESTABLISHING NEW SUBSIDIARY
BODIES; IT SHOULD MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO MEET THE NEED
FOR ANY NEW BODIES BY HOLDING SUBJECT-ORIENTED SESSIONS AS
PROVIDED FOR IN PARAGRAPH ABOVE. FOR THEIR PART SUB-
SIDIARY BODIES OF THE COUNCIL SHOULD REFRAIN FROM CREATING
NEW SUBORDINATE SESSIONAL OR INTERSESSIONAL GROUPS WITHOUT
THE PRIOR CONCURRENCE OF THE COUNCIL.

NEW PARAGRAPH 9 (A): (TO REPLACE "OLD" PARAGRAPH 7):

IN THE LIGHT OF PARAGRAPH AND ABOVE, ALL
STATES MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS WISHING TO PARTICIPATE IN
THE WORK OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL SHOULD BE
ENABLED TO DO SO TO THE FULLEST POSSIBLE EXTENT. CONSIDERATION
SHOULD BE GIVEN TO A FURTHER EXPANSION OF THE MEMBERSHIP
OF THE COUNCIL IN ORDER TO COMPENSATE FOR THE LOSS OF
REPRESENTATION POSSIBILITIES ARISING FROM THE DIS-
CONTINUANCE OF SUBSIDIARY BODIES AND TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE
INCREASE IN UNITED NATIONS MEMBERSHIP SINCE 1973. IN
ADDITION, THE RATIOS CURRENTLY APPLICABLE IN RESPECT OF
EQUITABLE GEOGRAPHICAL REPRESENTATION ON UNITED NATIONS
INTERGOVERNMENTAL BODIES IN THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL
FIELDS SHOULD BE REVIEWED IN THE LIGHT OF THE CHANGES
THAT HAVE OCCURRED IN THE REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION OF UNITED
NATIONS MEMBERSHIP.

9 (B):

THE COUNCIL SHOULD CONTINUE TO INVITE NON-MEMBER STATES TO
PARTICIPATE IN ITS DELIBERATIONS IN ANY MATTER OF PARTICULAR
CONCERN TO THEM.

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